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Of Palm Springs, California

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**REALTY BOARD IS
MAKING SURVEY
BUILDINGS HERE**

Yosemite Valley: The bluejays have been becoming bolder and bolder so we got out the thread and peanuts to see if they would bite again on the peanut trick. A few peanuts were thrown to them which they grabbed greedily; they would catch these on the wing. Then some were laid out on the ground and in the tree crotches. After the bluejay gang had gathered in force, threads were tied to the peanuts and sure enough they fell for the old peanut trick, the old birds a few times but the young birds were regular suckers for some time. The old birds have lost none of their infamous vocabulary and the young ones are doing very well picking up the choice words of their elders.

For no particular reason I placed a peanut on my head; there was a rush of wings, something hit my head, leaving it immediately with the peanut and a strangled cry of triumph. That peanut had no string attached to it. If you have a baldheaded friend entice him into putting a peanut on his head. You may have to use glue. Mr. Bluejay will do the rest. The top of my head is covered with a heavy shock of hair but I can still feel where the claws of that bluejay hit when he landed and where they dug in when he gave a vigorous thrust for extra good measure when he took off. It may be that the bluejay will miscalculate landing conditions on a bald head, skid and break his neck. Sort of killing two birds with one stone.

A friend of mine living in the Yosemite Valley the entire year asked about the height of San Jacinto; an instant of calculation revealed the unrealized fact that San Jacinto forms a wall back of Palm Springs three times as high as the Yosemite Valley walls and twice as high as Half Dome. It is the precipitous slopes of the Yosemite cliffs and the narrow width of the Valley that make them appear so high, while the great height of San Jacinto is concealed by the steep-sloped ridges immediately back of Palm Springs. My friend, who has never visited in Palm Springs, was somewhat taken back by the comparison, as his continued residence in the Valley had led him unconsciously to look upon its cliffs as the highest in the world. He missed the point; they are the most spectacular because of their setting rather than their sheer height.

In San Francisco there is an investigation of graft in the police department. Most of the policemen have refused to talk which reminds me of a conversation that took place between a woman and a two and one-half year old boy. Those policemen could have taken a lesson from this youngster:

Woman: "Where do you live?"

Boy: "Next to Mr. Hall."

"Where does Mr. Hall live?"

"Next to my house."

"Well, where do you live?"

"Next to Mr. Hall."

"Well then, where do you and Mr. Hall live?"

"Home."

That ended the inquiry. But I do think that a branch of the humane society might be formed to include the protection of youngsters from the constant repetition of the same inane questions that grownups ask of them. If a \$1.00 tax were charged each time the questions, "What is your name little boy?" and "How old are you?" are asked, there would be plenty of money for the Townsend Old Age Plan.

The azalea bushes, Rhododendron occidentale, are in blossom. They make a beautiful show along the Merced River edge, where the branches, laden with white blossoms that shade into rose-pink, hang over the water. The genus name, Rhododendron, is from the Greek, meaning rose and tree; the species name, occidentale, means western; so we have the western rose tree. This particular species is also found in the San Jacinto district at the higher altitudes above the desert.

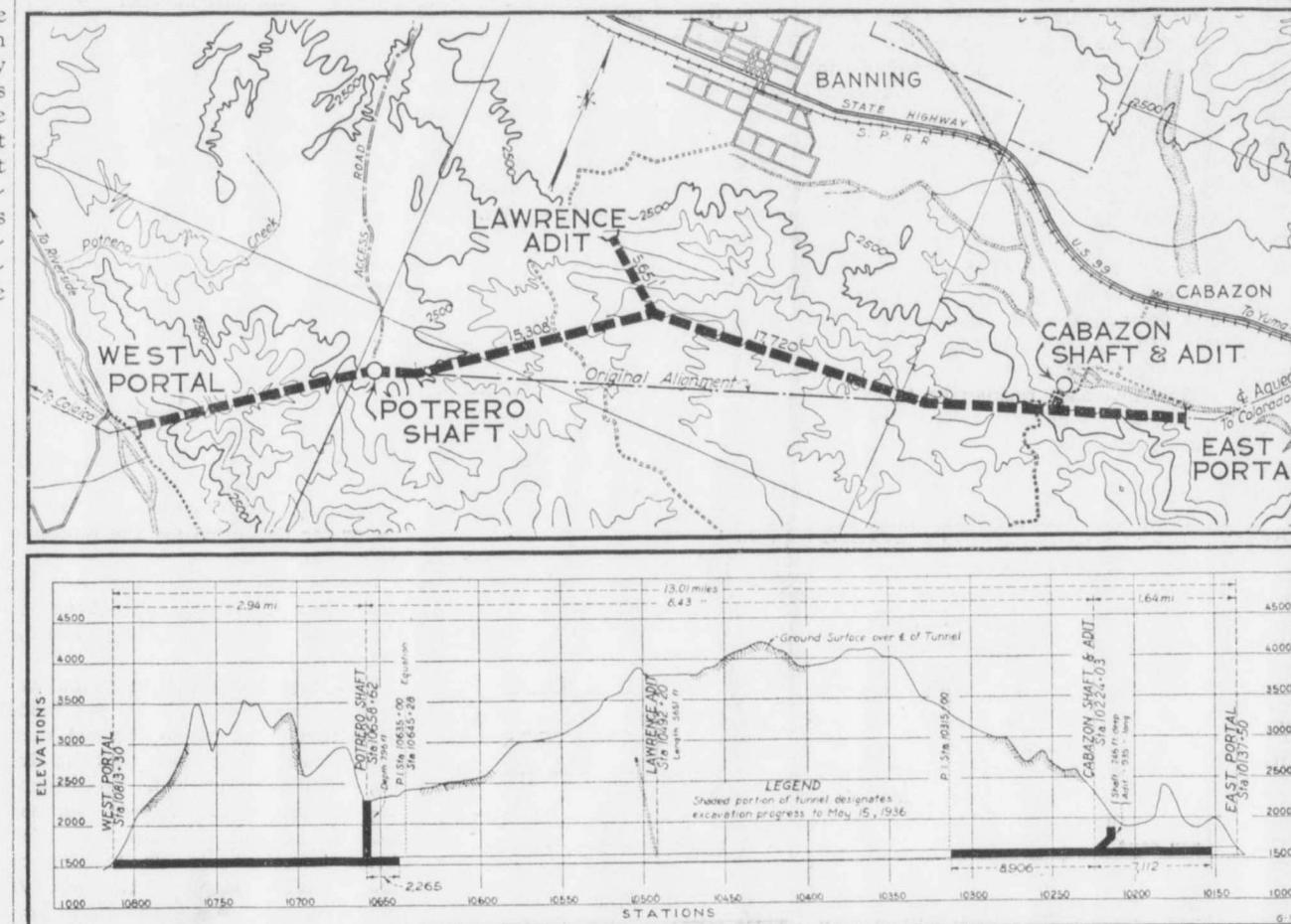
Abelia belongs to the heath family to which also belongs the red snow plant of the higher mountain areas. The Manzanita, so common in the San Jacinto area, is a member of this family.

This morning two young men went fishing. Now fishing in the

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Maps Show Route of Tunnel Realignment



The last six miles of the main Colorado river aqueduct tunnels.

These maps, furnished The Record through courtesy of the Metropolitan Water district publication, Aqueduct News, show the realignment of the San Jacinto tunnel described in an article published recently. The bend in the tunnel, bringing the line nearer the new Lawrence adit, is indicated. The lower map shows the San Jacinto tunnel in profile. Both illustrations are self explanatory.

The black lines in the lower map show the excavation to date in the San Jacinto tunnel and the light parallel lines on each side of the Lawrence adit the remaining six miles to be excavated. It also shows the adit which will be more than a mile in length.

BUILDERS SHOULD NOTIFY POLICE DEPT.

Contractors and builders should file their names, addresses, telephone numbers and location of jobs on which they are working with Chief of Police Benninger, so they can be found easily by truck drivers and material delivery men.

It is a daily occurrence to have delivery men call at the police station in an effort to locate some builder or a house under construction. Two truck drivers called one night this week with a rush order, looking for a certain house. The police were unable to assist the men, for they had not heard of the particular job the men wished to locate. The drivers searched the town part of the night, and resumed the search early next morning.

With so many buildings under construction, it is impossible for the police department to keep in touch with the situation unless they are notified by the builders. The police station is considered a sort of information bureau by strangers, but the officers must have the co-operation of the public in order to function perfectly in that respect.

John Coble broke ground yesterday for the construction of two store rooms north of the bowling alley. One room of the building will house the Palm Springs branch of the Redlands Laundry. Mr. Coble will have charge of construction himself. He has had a great deal of experience in constructing first class buildings, among his achievements being the famous Jefferson Hotel of Phoenix, one of the largest buildings in Arizona. His last job before he quit contracting was the large Pacific building at Venice.

William C. Munchoff, well-known landscape architect from Santa Fe, New Mexico, has taken up his residence here and established his office in the McManus Real Estate building

In January of 1933 Graham was Union Oil Station. Mr. Munchoff has a great deal to do with the landscaping and planning of Santa Fe, which has developed into one of the most beautiful cities of the country. There the distinctive Santa Fe architecture was developed, a type belonging peculiarly to Santa Fe. Mr. Munchoff is also a city planner and zoning expert of wide experience.

Herbert Smith, manager of the McManus Realty Company reports many sales in the past seven days. Six lots have been sold in Indian Trail Tract where two houses are now under construction with five more to commence within thirty days.

In addition the McManus Realty Company has sold one hundred feet of income property on Cahuilla Road near Baristo which will be immediately improved with buildings to the extent of \$20,000. Mr. Smith also reports the sale of a lot fronting on Palm Canyon Drive in Tahquitz Desert Estates and which will be improved with a new residence at once.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lafayette returned this week from a trip to their former home in Texas. They attended the Texas Centennial at Dallas, and report it is a marvelous exhibition. However, the weather was as warm while they were there as it is in Palm Springs. It has been suggested that Palm Springs should have an exposition also during the summer, for the sightseers would be no more uncomfortable here than they are in Texas.

PALM SPRINGS ROAD WILL BE IMPROVED SOON

Surveyors for the California Highway Commission are at work between Whitewater and Palm Springs, and there is no doubt but that the Palm Springs road is in line for improvement.

Soundings have been taken of soil conditions near the bridge east of Whitewater Point and it is surmised a concrete bridge will span the "wash," taking the place of the wooden structure which has served many years.

Current reports state that tentative plans include the building of an overpass over the S. P. tracks, a short distance east of Palm Springs railroad station.

Leading to the overpass, from the west, it is believed the commission will build an entirely new road, eliminating the junction at Highway 99 and Palm Springs road. The presumption is that the new road will cut into the desert a short distance west of Whitewater Point and run in a straight line to the viaduct, paralleling the Southern Pacific tracks for some distance.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new Desert Grill which is being built on property owned by Mrs. Zaddie Bunker for Jack Freeman. The building is located on the former site of the Waffle Shop and Village Tavern, near the Central Hotel. It is of concrete construction, and will have many distinctive features, including air conditioning throughout and a very modern kitchen. There will be a fine cocktail lounge in connection, and a large patio with tables for those who desire to eat outside.

With a special spade made for the particular purpose, Frank E. Pershing, nephew of General John J. Pershing, yesterday broke ground for his new bungalow court, La Taquita, in the southern part of town near Estrella Villas. The spade, painted white, had painted on it the names of Mr. Pershing and R. F. Outcault, famous cartoonist and originator of "Buster Brown" cartoons, the two men being owners of La Taquita; Atkin & Marsh, contractors and builders; and Brewster, Benedict and Taylor, the architects. All of the men, with the exception of Mr. Outcault, were present at the ground breaking; also Paul Schwenzeifer, who has the painting contract. The project will consist of seven bungalows and a two-story building 140 feet across the front. It will be of the French Colonial or New Orleans type of architecture.

Increase in business is brought about by only two things—growth of population and increase in amount of income received by the customers.

NATIVE PALMS NEAR INDIO DESTROYED BY FIRE; GREAT LOSS

Losses which can scarcely be computed in dollars and cents occur when native palm trees—the wild variety—are destroyed. It takes hundreds of years for a palm tree to die a "natural" death.

Fire swept through Biskra Palms north of Indio, leaving almost nothing but charred palm logs standing, burning itself out four hours later.

Although the Indio fire department was called, the equipment was not taken out as there is no water available near the palm grove and nothing could have been done to stop the flames.

Deputy Sheriff Ben de Crevecoeur went to the scene of the fire but was unable to get any information as to how it had started. No one lived there, but it was a favorite place for picnics, wienie bakes and other outdoor events.

Biskra Palms is one of a number of groups of native palm trees dotting the rim of Coachella Valley which are natural beauty spots adding to the romance and charm of the desert.

This particular group of palms was in the limelight of public interest in 1928 and for a year or two thereafter because of plans made and partially carried out to build a modern hotel at a total cost of more than a million dollars.

Several sections of land, including not only Biskra Palms but also Curtis Palms, another attractive group, are owned by Lawrence McComber and in 1928 and before, he began to develop the property. A road was built, together with miles of trails over the hills back of the palm grove. He erected sleeping cabins and opened a dining room where he entertained friends and business associates and where the many workmen on the project were housed and fed.

The hotel plans called for a structure which would have overshadowed anything yet in the Valley, and it was planned to landscape the surroundings so as to give an Oriental atmosphere to the entire place. The coming of the depression caused all work to be stopped and the project was postponed indefinitely. Friends of Mr. McComber say that he recently has been considering the matter with the idea of completing the structure.

The fire undoubtedly did much permanent damage to this magnificent group of palms and some of them are killed, but it is expected that many will, in a few years, be as attractive as before the fire.

Raymond Cree reports that Mrs. Alice Rawlins Pemberton is starting to build a fine home on her recently acquired lot in Tahquitz Desert Estates.

TRANSIENTS SHOULD KEEP OUT OF THE RESIDENCE SECTION

Strangers in the community should keep out of the residential section of the community, especially at night, if they do not want to be stopped by the police.

Chief of Police James Benninger stated yesterday that he has stopped transients in the residential section a number of times, and could not release them until they identified themselves. The police are taking no changes in their determination to prevent robbery or sneak thievery and to keep bums and panhandlers out of town. They stop and question every suspicious looking individual, consequently any one who does not have business in the residence section must expect to be stopped and questioned by the police.

TO PRESENT ZONING
ORDINANCE MONDAY

A tentative draft of the new zoning ordinance will be presented to a joint meeting of the county board of supervisors and the county planning commission in the supervisors room in the court house in Riverside at 1:30 Monday afternoon. The object is to show the county governing bodies what has been done, and to get their opinion relative to further procedure. A delegation of local civic leaders will be on hand to present the ordinance, and all others interested are invited to attend.

From Butte, Montana, to Los Angeles in five hours, was the time required by Earle Strebe on Wednesday when he came from the Montana city in an airplane to forget his fishing for a few days and look after his theatre interests here. Two days and nights are ordinarily required to make the trip by rail, and about four days or more by automobile. It took only an hour and a half less to come from Los Angeles to Palm Springs, which was required to travel nearly across the continent by airplane. Mr. Strebe is here to personally superintend the installation of sound equipment, air-cooling plant, lighting fixtures, etc., in the new Plaza Theatre. The Strebes and Wertheimers have been in Montana on a fishing expedition to the high mountains, 75 miles away from civilization.

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Of the 163,538 stores in the United States, 24,740 are chains and 138,798 are independents. California has 718 chains and 7,677 independents. Of its groceries, 9.3% are chain and 90.7% are independents. Chain groceries do 26% of the total business done by groceries.

POLICE ARE BUSY CHECKING PETTY ACTS & WRECKS

James Benninger is serving as acting chief of police until the Police Commission appoints a permanent chief at their next meeting, which will be before August 1st. Officer Benninger has served the community winter and summer for a number of years and is thoroughly familiar with the community, its people and the requirements. It is said there are applications on file from many quarters for the office of chief of police.

The police department had a busy week end. Many traffic violators were given citations without arrests. Two local workmen were placed in jail to sober up during the night and were released the following morning. This is in line with the police department's policy to extend all possible leniency to the men who work here during the summer when they fail to walk the straight and narrow path. They are usually sent home and put to bed, and only placed in jail when they make themselves obnoxious.

"If business keeps up like this at the police station, we will think Christmas will soon be here," said Chief Benninger yesterday.

Local officers were called to investigate two highway accidents last week end:

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Another accident occurred on Saturday night when Refugio Salazar and Jesse Marquez were driving north on Palm Canyon drive. About a mile north of the El Mirador Hotel when rounding a curve their right wheel hit the sand, pulling the car into a telephone pole which snapped in two. The car was practically demolished. Salazar was not injured but Marquez received bad cuts and bruises about the head. Marquez was treated by Dr. Hill and then rushed to the Banning Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Connell visited the Borrego Valley in San Diego county last Friday. They found the weather to be extremely hot in that region.

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CURTAINS !

Jim Jones lives out in the country, twenty miles from his office, and drives to work daily. The drive takes place largely on a modern highway, with the last few miles confined to busy streets, observes a contemporary writer.

The drive can be made safely in about thirty-five minutes. But Jim would feel ashamed of his record if he ever took that long. So, by "stepping on her" hard, he manages to make it in twenty-five minutes, and sometimes less. The other day, in fact, he did it in twenty-two minutes—a saving of thirteen minutes over the time taken by more conservative pilots.

That saving of time is a great boon to Jim. It permits him to spend ten or fifteen minutes talking about golf to the boys at the cigar stand, or reading the funny papers. And the day he made his record he spent the saved time, plus quite a few minutes more, boasting about it.

Of course, Jim has to weave in and out of traffic occasionally, cursing the slow-pokes who move along at a sedate forty-five. And sometimes he has to steal a right of way. Now and then he misses a crash by an inch, and after the first flush of nervousness passes, he chuckles to himself about what a good driver he is. Once he did have a minor accident, but the insurance company paid for that.

There are a good many thousand Jim Joneses driving cars in this country. They go on for years with nothing happening to them—and then the inevitable occurs.

Curtains !

TWENTY-TWO BILLIONS SAVINGS DEPOSITS

Written on the books of the savings banks of this country are credits to depositors amounting to \$22,671,000,000. No other country in the world can make such a showing. The total savings of the 300,000,000 people in Europe, including those belonging to the 15 leading countries, amount to less than \$19,000,000.

And the same sort of people who have been industrious enough and frugal enough to have savings amounting to nearly \$23,000,000,000 also have a large stake in the \$98,000,000,000 of life insurance held in the United States. They should be glad that their representatives in Congress refused to start a policy of inflation. The value of bank deposits and of life insurance depends on stable money.

In 20 Eastern states the 17 year locusts have suddenly pushed their way through the ground and will be the next pest to provoke our Eastern friends. The states wondering what the locusts will do to them include New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, the Virginias, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida. Nope; Iowa is not on the list. After all we believe we shall retain our membership in the earthquake club.—Van Nuys Tribune.

LONGEVITY RECORD

The natural order usually follows a pretty monotonous pattern. Now and then just for variation it produces a phenomenon.

Babies generally come one at a time, rarely as twins. When they come three at a time it is town talk, when in fours it's worth wirephotos and telegraph tolls to tell the world the news. Mrs. Dionne's quintuplets constitute one of the seven modern wonders of the world, about as near an approach to miracle as we reach these days.

There is still a good deal of argument about when one becomes old, but fewer reach the three score and ten of biblical reference than go beyond it. When one, now and then, reaches 90 he becomes an object of general interest. A hundred is a real achievement in longevity. But Solomon Rickner of Nebraska lived to be 115 and might have gone on a long time more if he hadn't been careless and fallen off the front porch.

You examine accounts of this ancient's life for any explanation of his remarkable record of longevity. He had his likes and dislikes, he indulged in some of the habits others indulge in and eschewed others. He lived in short pretty much as fancy moved him, simply going along with the stream of life about him, which after all is about what we all do. He had had his share of health and sickness, good fortune and mishaps, but he came through them all to outlive the comrades of his generation by many years. Nature evidently just willed it so to show that death short of the hundred mark isn't at all inevitable. — Hemet News.

TOURIST CROP IS BUMPER IN SO. CALIFORNIA

Apricots may get sun-burned—and tourists too—but the latter keep on paying.

Spending \$84,132,465 while here, a total of \$29,135 out-of-state visitors were officially recorded in this area during the 1935-36 southern California winter tourist season, according to Addison B. Day, member of the board of directors of the All-Year club, Southern California's non-profit tourist bureau.

"While this winter season just passed showed a 15.2 percent increase over the corresponding period a year ago, and despite the fact that higher priced accommodations were in greater demand, the total increase was below that of other resorts," said Day.

"Reports from 16 competitive areas show increases ranging up to 39 percent, with Florida materially surpassing California!

"The 1934-35 winter tourist traffic here registered a 20.7 per cent increase over the previous winter season which in turn showed a moderate recovery over the season before.

"Reports from 26 leading competitive resort areas in 19 states show a 52 per cent greater recovery of tourist volume from the depression low of 1933 than Southern California. The principal reason is that competitive areas have increased their tourist advertising 23 per cent since 1933, whereas Southern California has further decreased its advertising 32 per cent.

"Pleasure travel increased materially all over the nation in 1935, so the last winter season, even without any special conditions, figured to show a marked increase if the upward trend was to be sustained.

"However, the East experienced the most severe winter weather this year since 1889 and such a condition was a contributing factor to a bumper season for most other winter resorts. Actual tourist arrival figures in Southern California during this period were below expectations."

TAX EXPERT WARNS BUSINESS IN USE OF TAX AS WEAPON

Los Angeles—Whenever any business invokes the tax power to destroy competition, it is opening the way to bring the same thing down on its own head.

This warning was uttered as a comment on the proposal to tax chain stores out of existence in California, by an eminent tax authority, Dr. Finis G. Crawford, chairman of the political science department of Syracuse University.

Dr. Crawford was in Los Angeles as guest lecturer on taxation at the Eighth Annual Institute of Government, at the University of Southern California, and was on his way to Stanford University, where he will conduct summer courses.

"The tax power should be reserved to legitimate public ends," Dr. Crawford said. "Such tax measures as the proposed special tax on California chain stores have no place in the scheme of sound government. They are not revenue measures, but are aimed to stifle competition.

"Wholesale interests, and independent retailers who foster such taxation, forget that the tax weapon, once used against their competitors, historically is turned against those who invoke its power.

"The good merchant need not fear chain store competition. I have worked in grocery stores myself, and I know that old-fashioned merchandising methods have no place in the world of today."

The New York savant scoffed at the charge that chain stores in this state were draining money to the rest of the country.

"As a matter of fact, chain stores are bringing money into California," he said. "All the food chain stores' sales in the state are \$90,000,000 short of the amount they spend each year for California food products, to sell elsewhere."

"In Syracuse we make washing machines to sell in California. In turn we buy California oranges. There must be a free exchange of goods and services between the states, and the logical outcome of internal tariffs, such as this measure proposes, is isolation and provincialism. If California doesn't buy our washing machines, we can't buy California oranges in Syracuse."

DEATH VALLEY WEATHER
M. French Gilman writes: 125° last Saturday. Dressing in the morning is a brief performance—shoes and shorts. If any fig trees grew here the shorts might be dispensed with. It is a sort of continuous Turkish bath."

CAT GIVES NOTICE OF GARAGE FIRE NEAR SAN JACINTO

The efforts of a cat to save its offspring gave the first notice to the Irwin Farrar family on the La Sierra ranch near San Jacinto that something was wrong in the garage near the house. The family saw the cat hurriedly scamper into the garage and as hurriedly come out carrying a small kitten.

An investigation was made at once and the building was discovered on fire. The forestry service was called and performed good service but could not save the structure which was totally destroyed. The dwelling and the pump house close by were saved by pouring water upon them. The cause of the fire is thought to have been spontaneous combustion though there was little stored there. There were no cars in it at the time. A number of relics were burned.

SCHMELING-LOUIS LIGHT REVIEW AT THEATRE FOR THREE DAYS

Banning Theatre on Saturday, Sunday and Monday will present official pictures of the Max Schmeling-Joe Louis fight, as they were taken at the rings in Yankee Stadium, New York City.

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FEDERAL HOUSING REPORT FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY

A TALE OF DARING**RESCUE FROM FIRE**

In Riverside county, from its inception and up to and including March 31, 1936, the Federal Housing Administration accepted 43 mortgages for insurance totaling \$139,315, it was announced by Donald Renshaw, state director for California for the National Emergency Council.

It was also revealed that for the entire state 5,991 mortgages were accepted for insurance totaling \$25,997,706.

The purpose of this agency, the law says, is to stimulate repair and modernization of homes to the end that employment may be increased and living conditions improved. Local lending institutions are insured against loss on account of loans made for home improvements, up to 20% of the aggregate amount of the loan. A long-term mortgage insurance program is operated, the purpose of which is stated to be to bring about reduction in interest rates, to render more nearly uniform lending and appraisal practices, and to check disastrous declines in real estate values in times of depression.

**MRS. GEORGE L. WING
APPOINTED MEMBER OF COUNTY EDUCATION BOARD**

The board of supervisors on Monday appointed Mrs. George L. Wing a member of the county board of education, which passes on the qualifications of teachers. She takes the place of Mrs. Gladys Johnson of Coachella. A. N. Wheelock of Riverside was re-appointed.

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RIVERSIDE BUSINESS MEN RECOMMEND THE FULMOR SURVEY, IDYLLWILD ROAD

The Riverside Business Men's Association, after investigating the old Banning-Idyllwild road and the survey of County Engineer A. C. Fulmor, has recommended construction of the new road on the Fulmor survey, for the reason that it will be less expensive to construct and will cost less to maintain; that it will meet with Federal approval and that it will be permanent.

Following is the report of the committee of Riverside business men; submitted to the county board of supervisors:

The committee appointed by the board of the Riverside Business Men's Association to adopt recommendations for the Banning-Idyllwild road, submits the following for your approval.

In times past, this board has been in favor of such a road and in fact, appeared before the board of supervisors some three years ago.

It is a known fact that all the rest of Riverside county is taken care of by their different roads such as the Imperial Valley and Coachella Valley by the Pines to Palms highway; Hemet, San Jacinto, and Perris by the Idyllwild-Hemet road; Elsinore by the Ortega highway to the ocean; Corona by their outlet to the ocean through the Santa Ana canyon, leaving only the Pass country, represented by Beaumont, Banning and Palm Springs, without an adequate road to its nearest recreational area.

The survey for the road now under construction was made at the request of the previous board of supervisors. The directors of the Business Men's Association, as a whole, went over the Fulmor survey recently, of which two miles is now completed. We are impressed with the permanent nature of this road. The design in standard of construction we believe will serve traffic for many years to come, contingent on the increase of population.

We find the Fulmor survey one that will meet the present and future, modern, high-standard roads required by the motorists of today and this survey meets the approval of the Bureau of Public Roads.

Following is a paragraph from the report on the survey by the Bureau of Public Roads:

"It is believed that the present standards as used by the county are satisfactory for this type of highway providing hazards are not created by combining minimum curvature with maximum grades and provided that cut slopes are modified to suit the type of excavation so that there will not be a costly future maintenance burden."

We have been assured by Mr. Fulmor that these suggestions of the Bureau of Public Roads, to meet their approval, can be made at a reasonable cost and that the main thought is to provide the highest standard of road and one that will serve travel without alterations for years to come.

In comparing the old road with the new Fulmor survey, we find the new road will be less expensive to construct and can be maintained at a lower cost. From an engineering standpoint to realign the old road would not be practical.

We find there is a large area of some of the finest recreational territory in Southern California in the Dark Canyon and Black Mountain districts which has been made accessible to the public by the Forest Service constructing roads into these recreational areas, which are not now being used by the public except to a limited extent. The construction of a modern highway between Banning and Idyllwild will make it possible for the public to reach these areas quickly and safely and will make possible the development of a new asset of great value to Riverside county. It will be possible to bring in new properties for Riverside county assessment rolls.

It seems reasonable to suppose in line with previous experience on the Hemet-Idyllwild and Pines-to-Palms highways that we will receive Federal aid. In recommending this Fulmor survey, it is with the understanding that the road can be built with prison labor, gas tax money and Federal aid.

We offer the above resolutions for your adoption.

Riverside Business Men's Assn.

An ordinance establishing a license fee of \$5 per day or \$50 per quarter for door-to-door peddlers has been adopted by the city council of San Jacinto. The new ordinance was drawn up at the request of business men of San Jacinto. Ranchers who are selling farm produce grown by themselves are not affected by the ordinance, nor are traveling salesmen who do not peddle goods, nor disabled veterans.

LATEST NEWS OF THE AQUEDUCT

A mechanism that controls tons of sand, gravel, rock and cement, mixing them in the proper proportions at the push of a button and the pull of a lever, features the batching plant that is being used as cementing operations on the west portal of the San Jacinto tunnel.

The control board, resembling a theatre switchboard, is operated by three men. Charles F. Thomas, Jr., assistant superintendent at the portal, declares that two could handle it, but a third has been added for good measure.

Sand, pea gravel, coarse rock and cement are contained in large storage bins, and by pressing the proper buttons the control lets these materials into the mixing plant in the proper proportions. Large meters dial the number of pounds going into the mixer with unbelievable accuracy. When the dry mix has been put together, it is taken into the tunnel itself, where the cement mixer is located. Here the necessary water is added and the finished concrete is transported to the scene of operations in a seven-inch pipe line.

At the present time the 18-inch concrete lining has been put in the bottom and a short way up the sides a distance of about one city block inside the tunnel. Work on the complete circle will be started almost immediately, it has been announced.

Collapsible steel forms will be used to hold the concrete in place until it is set. These forms, built in sections, join to make a continuous shell 300 feet long and the cementing will be done in sections of 185 feet at a time. The forms are held in place by hydraulic jacks braced against the rails of the track running through the tunnel. When they are to be moved, these jacks are released, collapsing the forms, which are then pulled further along by hydraulic crane.

The forms are pierced by manholes at three different levels and the pipe carrying the concrete is led through a depression at the top of the shell. The concrete is poured directly from this pipe and the manholes are utilized to watch the cement to see that it is spreading evenly. As the level fills to a manhole it is closed and locked and the next highest one used.

Mr. Thomas this week stated that approximately 185 feet can be poured in 24 hours, and that when work is actually started the cementing will move rapidly.

The most modern of machinery, much of it developed by Metropolitan Water district engineers expressly for use on the gigantic Colorado river aqueduct, has helped in completing the project in record time. The only job on the entire aqueduct now behind schedule is the San Jacinto tunnel, and new developments are expected to bring it nearer completion.

Pioneer tunneling as described last week has been launched from Cabazon and Potrero and the tunnel is being slightly realigned, saving considerable distance in the boring of the 13-mile shaft. The new Lawrence adit is being sunk in record time, and when it is completed to the tunnel line excavation will be started in two directions toward Potrero and Cabazon shafts.

Have The Desert Sun follow you this summer.

CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL-FICTITIOUS NAME
Civil Code Sec. 2466-2468-2470
State of California, ss.
County of Riverside, ss.

I hereby certify that I am transacting business in the State of California, at Cathedral City, California, under a designation and name not showing the name of the person interested in such business, to-wit:

CATHEDRAL GROCERY
Name: CLAUDE S. COBB,
Place of Residence:
Cathedral City, California.
State of California, ss.
County of Riverside, ss.

On the 29th day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six, before me personally appeared CLAUDE S. COBB, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of my office this 29th day of May, 1936.
ROBERT L. EDWARDS,
Notary Public in and for the
County of Riverside, State
of California.
My Commission Expires Dec. 30, 1938.
(SEAL)

ALL TUNNELS OF MAIN AQUEDUCT EXCEPT SAN JACINTO BORE NOW EXCAVATED; 2½ YEARS MORE

Excavation on all of the 92 miles of main aqueduct tunnel, with the exception of six miles remaining in the San Jacinto tunnel, was completed last night, and about half of the tunnels have been lined with concrete.

Eighty-six miles of the huge 20-foot bore, and 45 miles of concrete lining, forming tunnels 17 feet in diameter inside measurement, have been finished.

Tunnel excavation began in the Coachella division in February, 1933, and in a little more than three years all of the excavation excepting six miles of the 13-mile



JOSEPH SEYMOUR

Joseph Seymour, well known attorney of Riverside, has announced his candidacy for Congress for the local district. He seeks the Democratic nomination.

Mr. Seymour is a well known citizen and will make a spirited campaign. In a statement to voters he says:

"I am a candidate for Congress on the Democratic ticket.

"My entry into this race is of my own decision. I intend to be my own manager with the aid of my many friends. I am 54 years of age; a married man of family; a taxpayer and a native son of California. I have practiced law for over 32 years in Southern California and I have been a resident and voter in the old eleventh district, out of which the present nineteenth district was created, for over twenty years."

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R. G. KOGER, INJURED, RUSHED TO HOSPITAL AT SAN FRANCISCO

R. G. Koger, who had the misfortune to break several bones of his right hand, was rushed from a Los Angeles hospital to the Southern Pacific hospital at San Francisco Friday evening. Mrs. Koger accompanied him.

Mr. Koger's injuries resulted from contact with some mechanical device while he was employed by the Southern Pacific at Cabazon a few days ago.

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CITY "SPORTSMEN" SHOOT COWS, ETC. IN PERRIS VALLEY

Rattle-brained "sportsmen" from the cities are making life miserable for residents in the Perris Valley. Give a city youth a gun or a car and he is likely to do considerable damage.

Riverside county supervisors have been appealed to in an effort to stop the barrage of bullets.

Shots to the right of him, shots to the left of him—and Monday Hobart Schroeder of Perris sought help from the supervisors.

Schroeder, owner of a ranch near Perris, told the county board it isn't safe to be outside of the house on week-ends.

"Hunters don't seem to give a hang where they are shooting," he told the supervisors. "Why, one of my neighbors has had to abandon his home because it wasn't safe to stay around. Can't you do something about it?"

He said amateur hunters from the metropolitan area make life miserable for ranchers in his vicinity each weekend, firing promiscuously at "everything that moves."

Stock has been killed and maimed by the week-end nimrods who drive out in automobiles, camp overnight in the hill country and open the barrage as soon as there is light enough for them to see the sights of their guns, he said.

NATURALIST

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Merced river is usually not a very profitable venture but this time one of the men hooked a big one and when it was landed turned out to be a ten-pound trout. Fishing for him ceased at once, for a prize of this size was almost too much for his self-control. His partner carried the two poles and the fisherman carried the fish, displaying it to interested parties and when he came within a quarter of a mile of his camp, set up a mighty shout to let his buddies know that he had brought home the bacon in the form of a ten-pound trout.

Catching "big ones" has always interested me from a psychological point of view. So many persons put in all their efforts going after the "big ones" while as a matter of fact the large trout are not exactly delicious when compared to the smaller ones. But all the bragging seems to be concentrated around the "big ones" whereas it seems more sensible to lay stress upon quality in an instance of this kind. However, human nature does not follow the lines of logic. That seems to be about No. 1 information too, when judging the antics of humans.

MAN BADLY HURT WHEN THROWN FROM HORSE

Jack Gallagher of Mexico City, a guest at Highland Springs resort, was terribly injured when thrown from a horse a few miles from the Springs, Friday afternoon. The horse rolled over Gallagher and the man sustained a fracture of the spine besides having both legs broken.

Riding with Gallagher was another guest at Highland Springs who rode to the resort and gave the information. The spot where the accident occurred was inaccessible to cars. Morton Fischer and others provided a sled and brought the injured man to Dr. Howard Wood after laborious exertion. Ambulances at Banning and Beaumont were busy, and an ambulance was called from Redlands. Gallagher was removed to the Good Samaritan Hospital at Los Angeles.

Gallagher is an employee of the federal government in Mexico, in the promotional department, it is reported.

It was dark before Fisher and the other members of the rescue party reached the Springs.

GREEN SHACK COCKTAIL LOUNGE TO OPEN ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Mrs. Hallie Maines, owner of the Green Shack Cafe, on the highway between Banning and Beaumont, announces the opening of the cocktail lounge on Wednesday, July 1.

Mrs. Lily Barnett, of Las Vegas, who has been at other Green Shacks, will be here for the opening.

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Lead In War On Crime



Edward G. Robinson returns to the screen in "Bullets or Ballots," a First National production which is scheduled as the feature attraction at the Palm Springs Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, July 1 and 2. The Palm Springs Theatre is air-cooled.

Robinson's new role affords him all the opportunities for characterization that "Little Caesar," the picture that made him famous, gave him, but in this picture he is not a gangster. He is a hard boiled detective determined to put the boldest and best organized band of criminals known to history out of business.

To do this he renounces both love and honor, at least temporarily, for he breaks with the police and ostensibly becomes a criminal himself, in order to gather the evidence to break up a band of crooks so powerful that no one had ever been able to put the finger on them.

The picture is the story of racketeers who are supposed to be respectable society leaders, business men of wealth, politicians of high position and bankers, men so well known that no one suspects them. They never are seen with any of the crooks who carry out their orders, but contact just one man in the working organization, who carries out their orders and delivers the proceeds of their ill-gotten gains.

The story is by Martin Mooney, the

New York newspaperman who exposed racketeering in the newspapers, and was sent to jail for thirty days for contempt of court because he refused to divulge the source of his information. He claimed it was his moral right not to divulge the names of persons who gave him information confidentially. Seton I. Miller collaborated with Mooney on the story and also wrote the screen play.

There is an unusually talented cast in the picture, with Joan Blondell playing the feminine lead opposite Robinson.

Barton MacLane has the role of the chief of the gangsters, the only contact with the "higher-ups," but who

still has a terrific struggle in keeping his gang of killers in line. In the end one of them double-crosses him and shoots him down in cold blood.

The latter part, the toughest of all the tough men, is played by Humphrey Bogart, the killer of "The Petrified Forest."

Frank McHugh furnishes the comedy element as the personal agent of Miss Blondell, who runs a Harlem Numbers racket. Joseph King is the commissioner who breaks Robinson.

Others in the cast include Richard Purcell, George E. Stone, Joseph Crehan, Henry O'Neill, Henry Kolker, William Pawley, as well as hundreds who appear in smaller parts and extra roles.

BERKLEY'S RESCUE MISSION DOING GREAT SERVICE IN LOS ANGELES

While in Los Angeles recently Theo. Backus enjoyed a visit with J. M. Berkley, former operator and owner of the gas system in San Gorgonio Pass and Hemet Valley. Mr. Berkley is devoting all his time to the Rescue Mission where thousands of down-and-outers are cared for, during the year.

Some statistics of the work are interesting.

In May, 1935, a total of 7,997 meals was served. In May, 1936, the figures mounted to 11,555.

In May, 1935, 1,711 were given beds. In May, 1936, the figures were 3,149.

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Boots Hayward of the Lykken Store has received a card from Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Lykken who are vacationing in the Hawaiian Islands. They stated they are having a glorious time.



To Make A Long Tale Short

One of our town boys told us this morning that he spent \$27.50 on one of our local girls last Saturday night, and when she kissed him good night, she called him "Mister." Say Mr. Auto-Owner, don't you know that auto mechanics are like eggs—good ones and bad ones? If you'll make us prove this statement, we think you'll find we are not "bad eggs."

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PALM SPRINGS MAN IN BANNING HOSPITAL

Jeffie Marquez of Palm Springs is a patient at the Banning Hospital. He had been employed by a landscaping company at Palm Springs and was riding with a man whose car skidded. Marquez was severely injured in the accident. Main injury resulted to his back and head.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bronson of Glendale met with an accident while motoring near Whitewater and as a result both are at the Banning Hospital. In avoiding a crash with a car which, it is said, did not have adequate clearance on the road, Mr. Bronson turned quickly to the side of the road. His car was overturned. Bronson's back and right hand were badly injured. Mrs. Bronson sustained a crushed leg and dislocations.

The Bronsons started from their Glendale home to visit the Centennial in Texas when the accident occurred which canceled the trip to Texas.

The marriage of Joseph Schobe and Mrs. Leonora Lane of Los Angeles in Las Vegas on Friday, June 19th, was announced here this week. Mr. Schobe is general manager for Mason Case Company in Palm Springs, coming here from Los Angeles last fall. He has won many friends through his fine personality and courteous demeanor. Mrs. Schobe is a charming lady of the blonde type. Congratulations and best wishes of the community go to the happy couple who have chosen Palm Springs for their permanent home. They are now residing in an apartment in the Carnell building.

Former Chief of Police William Seaton was here Monday from Balboa. So far, he said, he has caught no fish.

Possible to live to 12—but science explains what a wreck we would be. Also full page of remarkable photographs of what a tornado can do in 3 minutes. In the AMERICAN WEEKLY, the magazine distributed with NEXT SUNDAY'S LOS ANGELES EXAMINER.

MISS CROMWELL LEAVES ON VOYAGE TO ORIENT

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C. K. GRAHAM IS GAS COMPANY MANAGER

Appointment of C. K. Graham to local management of the Southern California Gas Company's Banning district has been announced by H. C. McAllister, division manager. The new official, who replaces John H. Ragsdale, recently promoted to a similar post in the company's Van Nuys territory, has arrived with his wife and will establish a home in Banning.

Graduate of the University of Washington, where he received a degree in mechanical engineering, Graham has for many years specialized in the application of natural gas. Prior to 1930 when he joined the personnel of the company he was identified with the engineering staffs of Western Pipe & Steel and Payne Furnace.

In January of 1933 Graham was named district agent of the company's Hanford office in the San Joaquin valley, a post he held until recalled to handle special sales work in the Los Angeles office.

In making the announcement, Division Manager McAllister stated his belief that the new local manager will be of real service to the community with which he is now identified. "Mr. Graham," he said, "combines sound technical training with wide and varied practical experience. He is thoroughly qualified to confer with customers regarding the application of natural gas equipment to their problems, and to supervise the installation and operation of natural gas equipment. He is also the type of man who takes a keen personal interest in the company's customers and in community affairs. He will be, I am sure, a useful and popular citizen, as well as a competent official of the gas company."

Of Ragsdale, Mr. McAllister said: "Regrets over the loss of Jack Ragsdale, among both his friends and members of the company in this territory will be lessened by the knowledge that he has been placed in a post of increased responsibility and opportunity."

Mr. Ragsdale leaves for Van Nuys in the near future where with his family he will make his home.

MISS CROMWELL LEAVES ON VOYAGE TO ORIENT

Miss Daisy Cromwell, instructor in art at Banning High, and Miss Lois Lloyd of Los Angeles, left on the S. S. Taiyo Maru, N. Y. K. Line, last Saturday to see Japan and China.

After a two-day stop in San Francisco they go direct to Honolulu, arriving there six days later. One day is to be spent at Honolulu and the next stop will be Yokohama, where arrival will be July 9. From Yokohama they will proceed by rail to Kyoto where they will sight-see for two days. The next trip will be by rail to Kobe; sail on arrival there through the Inland Sea of Japan and the Yellow Sea to Tientsin; then by rail to Peiping, where they stay one week. They will see the Forbidden City, Winter Palace, Altar of Heaven, etc.

The travelers will go as far north as Palpin ala donkey or camel and see the Great Wall and Ming Tombs en route.

Miss Cromwell and Miss Lloyd will go by train from Peiping to Shanghai. They return to Japan for more exploration and eventually stop over again at Honolulu. The United States will be reached in August.

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